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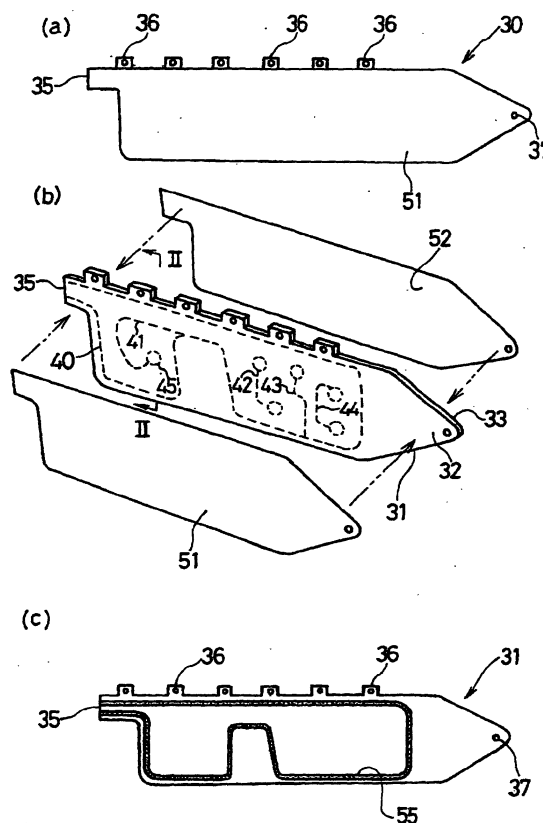
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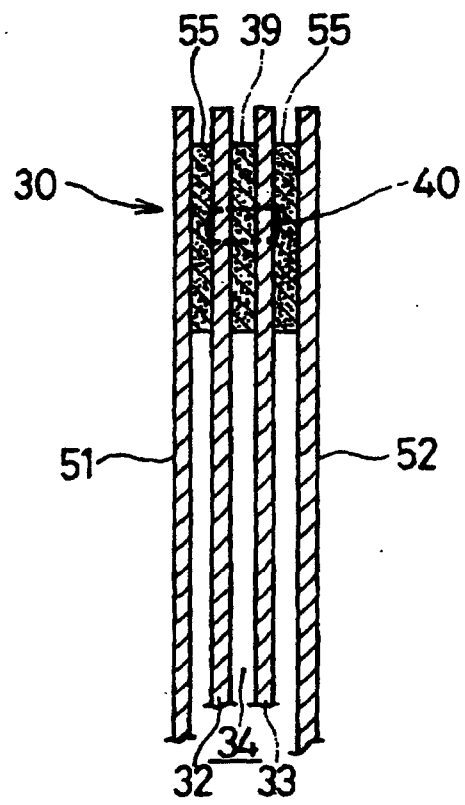
(54) **Protective cushion for protection of vehicle occupant's head**

(57) The object is to provide a protective cushion for protection of vehicle occupant's head which can be sufficiently prevented from gas leakage so as to maintain the inner pressure high over a lengthy period in time and, in addition, can be smoothly inflated and deployed. In order to achieve this object, a protective cushion (30) has a protective cushion element (31) and outer shell fabrics (51, 52) superposed on both outer surfaces of the protective cushion element (31). A cabin-side base fabric (32) and a window-side base fabric (33) are sewn together by sewing yarns after bonded to each other by adhesive (39). The outer shell fabrics (51, 52) are bonded to the protective cushion element (31) by adhesive (55). The adhesive (55) is applied to the outer surfaces of the protective cushion element (31) into a narrow band shape along line-shaped joint (40) to cover the line-shaped joint (40) extending along the outer peripheral edge of the protective cushion element (31).

**Fig. 1**



**Fig. 3**





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